

Said frame is rigid in construction and can be made of plastic, aluminum, steel or steel alloy or metal wire, rod, tubular components or the like.

(b) Flexible fabric that spans the area within said frame is relatively visually transparent to view contents under the fabric, sieve-like properties which would enable water to pass through, thin and flexible enough to maximize space underneath and strong enough to support heavy items therein. Said fabric described herein can be made of polyester, nylon, wool, cotton, plastic, or any compound or material that is capable of producing a thin, flexible, transparent and relatively strong material.

4. In another aspect an improvement in accordance with the device as defined in claim 3 is disclosed comprising: a non-adjustable, one-piece frame that is rigid in construction to support said fabric and its contents. It is noted that said device is size specific and its use will be limited to ice chests that have corresponding ridge dimensions.

Abstract of the Disclosure

A device for suspending and supporting various items including ice cubes or the like in common ice chests. The disclosed embodiments are comprised of an assembly of components including flexible fabric that is supported at its borders by a rigid frame or elastic frame, which is then attached to the ice chest with mounting components that are installed by the consumer or molded to the ice chest body during manufacturing. Items are placed on top of the fabric located at or near the top of the ice chest preventing the items from falling to the bottom of the ice chest where they may be damaged.